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ACDUTRA: CATEGORIZED TRAINING

Shortly after the so-called rebirth of the Coast Guard Reserve in 1950-51, plans and guidelines were developed in order to have ready on short notice, teams of specialists for the securing of ports, the protection of docks, oil and supply depots, and the guarding of piers and waterfront property against sabotage, fire, and unlawful entry. These plans materialized as the first ormal summer ACDUTRA program, conducted in 1952 at Lake Pontchartrain near New Orleans. That program was essentially in port security training.

Since 1952, the ACDUTRA program has expanded to train Reservists in all phases of port security, law enforcement, vessel augmentation, search and rescue coordination, coastal surveillance, merchant marine safety, and a myriad of interservice and individual programs. This training is accomplished today through a cyclical ACDUTRA schedule known as "phased training." Phased training allows Reservist to start with the program which will be of greatest immediate benefit to him in meeting the requirements of his mobilization billet. It is geared to make the most use of a person's background, experience, and prior training. By using the phased training cycle for several periods of ACDUTRA, each Reservist can acquire the skills appropriate for his pay grade and specialty or his rank and designation. For the enlisted Reservist, in particular, diligent use of phased training can assure advancement in the petty officer grades.



"YOU SEE, IT FITS THIS WAY"— Reserve Enginemen at work during the Alameda summer training program.

The Phase I program for ORTU personnel except those in Electronics Units (ORTUEL's) consists of taking appropriate courses at RTC, Yorktown, Base Alameda, or courses in the Navy Schools and specials programs. ORTUEL Reservists spend their Phase I training in OSV's or aboard buoy tenders as ET assistants when such billets are available. Reservists in Volunteer Training Units (MMS) are usually assigned to Merchant Marine Safety Courses at Yorktown, while those in interservice units perform ACDUTRA suitable to their Reserve

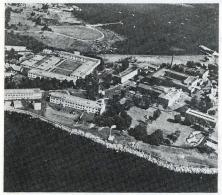
status and in keeping with the schedules of the units to which they belong. Members of Administrative Reserve Units are expected to participate in suitable courses usually followed by on-the-job training at an operating shore unit. Personnel in the Active Status Pool may be assigned to any appropriate active duty for training in a non-pay status, but are assigned to ACDUTRA with pay only when all other budgetary commitments have been met and excess funds remain available.

Phase II ACDUTRA for most Coast Guard Reservists consists of practical on-the-job training. Depending on one's inactive duty status, this means assignment to operating units such as a COTP office, a radio station or electronics repair shop, an air station or air detachment, or duty afloat. Personnel in ORTUPS(O)'s and ORTUF's, and commanding officers of ORPSU's participate in unit operational training in Phase II. Phase III training for these Reservists is on-the-job training.

The ACDUTRA opportunities are too varied to be explained in detail here. However, all Reservists are encouraged to become familiar with the "ACDUTRA Catalogue" which is Enclosure (2) of Commandant Instruction 1571.2B. This catalogue presents the courses and training available, the location and scheduling of this training, and the requirements for eligibility. Special instructions where necessary are also provided.

Groton, Home of Advanced Training

The Training Station, Groton, is located on Avery Point which extends into Fishers Island Sound at the entrance of the Thames River, near New London, Conn. There, on the former estate of Commodore Morton F. Plant, the Coast Guard in 1941 erected barracks and buildings to house personnel and trainees. It is undoubtedly one of the most beautiful settings the Coast Guard has for training, as many of the old, ivy covered stone structures have been retained for administration and housing of the staff.



There, enlisted men are trained in most of the general petty officer ratings, as well as specialty training such as Aids to Navigation and LORAN. Most schools run from 16 to 32 weeks and it is here that Reservists from Cape May receive much of their advanced seamanship training. Currently nearly 2000 Regular and 1000 Reserve enlistees use this facility. In addition to this, students and observers from all over the world come to study the science of lighthouse keeping, called Pharology, after "Pharos," a small peninsula in Northern Egypt at Alexandria whereon a lighthouse was built that was known as one of the "Seven Wonders of the World."

The Coast Guard Institute, which offers correspondence courses in Coast Guard professional ratings from seaman to chief petty officer, is also located here. Selected courses are open to Reserve and Coast Guard Auxiliary personnel. Additional courses are available to members of the other services and to Coast and Geodetic Survey personnel. Some courses have been developed and administered for use by Reserve port security rates.

CAPT J. P. MARTIN, USCG, is currently Commanding Officer of the Station which has a staff of 50 officers, about 350 enlisted men, and several civilians.

EAST COAST RESERVE CRUISES 1964

The Coast Guard Reserve training cruise schedule and quotas assigned for the East Coast districts are outlined below:

				QUOTA	
VESSEL	CRUISE DATE	POE	DISTRICT	OFF.	ENL.
HUMBOLDT	5-18 July	BOSTON	lst	8	55
COOK INLET	28 June-11 July	PORTLAND	2nd	7	55
UNIMAK	16-29 August	CAPE MAY	2nd	7	63
GRESHAM	19 July-1 August	ALAMEDA	2nd	2	_
ANDROSCOGGIN	9-22 August	MIAMI	2nd	3	5
UNIMAK	5-18 July	CAPE MAY	2nd	3	11
UNIMAK	2-15 August	CAPE MAY	2nd	3	11
UNIMAK	21 June-4 July	CAPE MAY	3rd	6	55
ROCKAWAY	26 July-8 August	NEW YORK	3rd	6	55
BARATARIA	2-15 August	PORTLAND	3rd	6	55
CHINCOTEAGUE	12-25 July	NORFOLK	5th	5	55
CAMPBELL	9-22 August	NEW YORK	5th	_	10
ESCANABA	16-29 August	NEW BEDFORD	5th	5	55
ANDROSCOGGIN	19 July-1 August	MIAMI	7th	6	50
CAMPBELL	9-22 August	NEW YORK	7th	.7	40
MENDOTA	16-29 August	WILMINGTON	7th	6	50

Cape May; Reserve Careers Begin Here

Beginning with Company OR-1, which started initial training on 18 June 1956, Cape May, N. J., became the East Coast "first service home" for Reserve recruits under the 6x8 program (now the 6x6 program). Prior to this there had been a two-week ACDUTRA "basic" training course during the summer months for 2x6 enlistees, who went directly into regular duty assignments upon reporting for their active duty tours. Since the enlistee under this program also received upwards of a year or more of unit training before going on active duty, the "summer refresher" was all that was needed.

With the influx of personnel under the 6x8 program, basic training became the nucleus of their Reserve careers and a detailed 13-week curriculum of "fundamentals" was incorporated. The first year, 14 companies of Reserve recruits saw training during the period June through September 1956, and a highlight was reached when they were allowed to participate for the first time in the weekly review at Cape May as part of the Regular Recruit Regiment.

Since then there have been many Reserve honor companies and between 1200 to 1300 Reserve recruits and nearly 3000 Regular Service recruits take training there each year.

The Center at Cape May is headed by CAPT J. C. WATERS, USCG, who will be relieved in August by CAPT F. J. STATTS, USCG. The CGC UNIMAK (W-379), presently commanded by CDR D. A. CAS-WELL, USCG, is assigned for all underway training and provides basic and advanced training for recruits, as well as refresher training for a few unit officers. Tours along the East Coast are prevalent, with visits as far north as the St. Lawrence river, Montreal, and the provinces, and as far south as Puerto Rico, and the British West Indies.

Basic courses run for 12 weeks with one additional week allowed for orientation programs. Class "A" (Rate Training schools) or additional training aboard ship accounts for the balance of the program.



"HEADS UP"—Training in cargo handling at Yorktown during the Summer ACDUTRA program.

WEST COAST RESERVE CRUISES 1964

1964 Coast Guard Reserve training summer cruises and the quotas assigned for the West Coast districts are listed below:

VESSEL	CRUISE DATE	POE	DISTRICT	QUO OFF.	TA ENL
ANDROSCOGGIN	9-22 August	MIAMI	8th	2	50
UNIMAK	5-18 July	CAPE MAY	9th	4	55
UNIMAK	2-15 August	CAPE MAY	9th	4	55
PONTCHARTRAIN	5-18 July	LONG BEACH	11th	5	55
MINNETONKA	19 July-1 August	LONG BEACH	11th	5	55
MINNETONKA	9-22 August	LONG BEACH	11th	5	55
GRESHAM	19 July-1 August	ALAMEDA	12th	5	55
GRESHAM	16-29 August	ALAMEDA	12th	5	55
DEXTER	5-18 July	SEATTLE	13th	4	44
DEXTER	16-29 August	SEATTLE	13th	4	44
CHAUTAUQUA	2-15 August	HONOLULU	14th	6	35

RTC CO Speaks About ACDUTRA

The Reserve Training Center has reached the point of 'topping off' our planning for the summer training program this year. We plan to offer a greater number of courses than have been available in the past and it is my fond hope that for each two-week period we receive the maximum number of officer and enlisted trainees commensurate with our berthing capacity. You, of the Coast Guard Reserve, are fortunate in that our service has a major command whose prime mission and sole reason for existence hs the offering of specialized training to you. Every activity at this command is geared to your needs to insure the fact that our Reserve is better trained as each year goes by. If anyone of you, officer or enlisted man, does not feel at the end of your two-week ACDUTRA period here better equipped to "pull your oar in the boat" in the event of mobilization, then we at the Reserve Training Center have failed to carry out our mission. I assure you that the Reserve Training Center has never in the past failed in this respect, nor do we intend to now.

You have an equal responsibility in assisting in carrying out this mission. You must report with proper uniforms, ID Card, round trip transportation, etc., and your orders must be endorsed to show you have taken a physical examination. Failure to do this cuts into your training time and, as you know, for a two-weeks training period, time is of the essence.

All of the details relative to the types of courses offered, advance preparation, practical factors examinations, etc., are contained in ACDUTRA,

Seabees Set NBC Training For CGR

The U.S. Navy Construction Battalions, the famous SEABEES, are getting set for another summer of training the Coast Guard Reserve. This year the two most important programs will be conducted at Port Hueneme, California for the West Coast, and Davisville, Rhode Island for the East Coast.

This year's programs are expected to be similar to the 1963 program which ran from 5 May to 15 November. The central training theme is Disaster Recovery Operations, a course particularly beneficial to port security personnel. Phase I of each program is comprised of lectures, field trips, and the physical use of equipment and protective clothing. In one exercise, tear gas is employed to insure the realism of a gas mask demonstration.

The Phase II training is a continuation of the basic course dealing more extensively with the practical aspects of recovery. The Port Hueneme Center has a simulated "Disaster City" which is complete with fallout shelters. A building with varied conditions of damage is used for first aid, firefighting, and removal of blast victims. Field exercises are extensive using protective clothing and detection devices. The course is completed with a full scale exercise which incorporates a realistic mushroom type explosion of primacord.

The progressive improvement of the course and training facilities over the past three years of Coast Guard Reserve participation has made this one of the most important ACDUTRA programs.

Among Other Things New Bus Service

The general public can get around the Coast Guard Base at Alameda, California, without much trouble now that bus service has been established for the first time by the local AC Transit Company. This service will also allow Reservists on ACDUTRA there more mobility during liberty periods. This new service is only one of many changes which have improved Base Alameda since it opened its gates in June 1956 to the first group of "six months" enlistees.

Things have grown at Alameda, and the training center now handles a flow of about 2000 Regulars and 800 Reserves annually. A swimming pool was built to insure better water survival training and the CGC DEXTER (W 385) was taken from the "mothball fleet" at the Yard, Curtis Bay, Md., and assigned to Alameda as the training ship. The DEXTER is currently commanded by CAPT A. E. CARLSON, USCG, and is used extensively to provide underway basic and advanced seamanship training. In addition, provisions have been made to train Reserve officers and men from ORTU's on each cruise to enable them to get as much underway experience as possible during their 2-week ACDU-TRA periods. Cruises are made to Vancouver, Acapulco, and other West Coast ports from Mexico to British Columbia.

Although Alameda trains an increasing number of Regular and Reserve "boots" which demand more and more of the staff's time, greater attention is being given to the Reserve summer ACDUTRA program. This year about 1000 Reservists will receive training in 19 courses during the 8-week Summer season.



"THE ISLAND"—USCG Receiving and Supply Center, Alameda, Calitornia.



READY RESERVIST remarks...

Why ACDUTRA? Most of us in the Reserve Program have been asked this question at one time or another by all types of people from high school boys to Senators. There are several answers to the question. An answer in strict legal terms is that Title 10 U.S. Code, Section 270 requires up to 17 days annual active duty training for obli-

gated Reservists.

An equally important answer is based on a man's responsibility to defend his country. When you joined the Coast Guard Reserve you thereby acquired a statutory and contractual obligation to participate satisfactorily as a member of the Ready Reserve. The initial period of training duty is sufficient to impart only basic military skills. Therefore, further training by attendance at drills and two weeks of ACDUTRA or thirty days ACDUTRA is necessary to qualify a Reservist to assume a billet in the event of mobilization.

For the non-obligated Reservist, ACDUTRA provides an opportunity to acquire new military skills and to refresh his previous experience.

Why ACDUTRA? Why a prepared Reserve? Why a strong national defense system? These questions are interrelated. National defense is serious business. Reserve training is serious business. And you, as a Reservist, have a part in both. Whether "obligated" or "volunteer," you have a responsibility to your Service. The summer ACDUTRA program will soon be underway—apply, attend, and get the most out of it!

Reserve Drill Attendance					
APRIL 1964	1				
National Average	90.3%				
Highest District Average					
14th District	94.1%				
National Officer					
Average	95.5%				
National Enlisted					
Average	89.6%				

Yorktown Enters Sixth Year With 1964 ACDUTRA

In 1959, after much searching and exploration of possible sites, a former Navy Mine Warfare School, on the tip of the historic Yorktown peninsula was chosen as the new home of the Officer Candidate School (OCS) and Merchant Marine Indoctrination School. After a great deal of scraping, painting, polishing, and furnishing, the Center was commissioned on July 3, 1959. The four-months' course, which had been held at the U.S. Coast Guard Academy, New London, Conn., during World War II, and then after 1951 continued without a hitch with the last 'Academy" class graduating on June 26, 1959.

Besides administration buildings, barracks, classrooms, and training shops, the facility also has its own modern movie theatre, enclosed olympic-size swimming pool, gymnasium, rifle range, service stores, and officer and enlisted clubs. Seventy-five buildings dot the landscape which includes over 154 acres of land, allowing plenty of room for expansion.

On June 12, 1960, the first summer ACDUTRA program opened at the Center. Over 1600 officers and enlisted men received specialized training during the six scheduled periods. In addition to Coast Guard Reserve personnel, 50 Regular Coast Guard and 80 Army Regular and Reserve members attended the courses.

The programs have been expanded and the participation has increased so that this Summer, 24 courses will be offered to approximately 3000 officer and enlisted Reservists.



"AWAY WE GO"—CHMACH E. B. EATON, USCG, prepares to get underway as CGC TANAGER (WTR-385) begins her sea trials. TANAGER is due for activation about 1 July and will then be based at RTC, Yorktown, Va.



"OFF-DUTY GUNNERY"—Reservists at Yorktown can tour the historical Battlefield during a liberty period. The girls always improve the scenery.

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Summer 1964 which will be furnished you by your District Commander (r).

Your working day training activities are very concentrated and the day is completely scheduled, however, we are proud of our recreational facilities which are available for all hands after working hours. Swimming pool, tennis courts, athletic field and recreational watercraft are available. In addition, this summer a professional and recreational library will be in operation for your use. As in previous years, guided tours to Historial Williamsburg, Jamestown and Yorktown are conducted. A Chaplain will be available for the entire summer and required transportation is furnished for religious services off the base.

All officers and men attached to the permanent staff of this command are here to instruct and assist you with the goal in mind that the U.S. Coast Guard Reserve will stand as the best trained Reserve in all of the armed services.

I know what this unit can do and produce; my question is, what will you produce? Good luck!

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